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Thursday Afternoon, June 4th, 1891

A trial case will be argued before the Superior Court on Saturday, which will settle the difficulties in regard to the collection of the taxes of 1890. In his written opinion submitted to the Levy Court, Mr. Bradford declares that the collectors appointed for that year have no legal right to collect and receipt for taxes which should have been collected during that year. Whether or not Mr. Bradford is correct in his opinion will be decided by the Court. If the law proves to be defective a special session of the Legislature to provide for the collection of the monies due the county will be necessary. That these taxes will have to be paid there is no doubt and that the collectors of 1890 have the right to collect them we believe, yet the very best plan to settle the difficulty has been adopted.

The most important primary election which has taken place in Cecil county, Maryland, for many years will be held Saturday next. A strong effort is being made to send to the House of Delegates a representative who is opposed to the re-election of Arthur P. Gorman as United States Senator. Doubtless Senator Gorman has political enemies as every other public man has, but to refuse, at this time to return him to the Senate would be in gratitude of the highest description. No one can forget the high order of leadership which he displayed during the last session of Congress when the Force bill was under consideration. In that memorable fight Senator Gorman was foremost in opposing a measure which meant political slavery for the people of his own, as well as all other border states.

In the administration of such a law as the one proposed at that time Maryland would have suffered, and to Arthur P. Gorman much of the credit for its defeat belongs.

A COMMITTEE of our Board of Trade will be glad to hear from any one interested in peaches. This committee has been appointed to provide ways and means for holding a convention of those interested in any way in peaches, and the members are striving to make such convention a success. An effort is being made to bring to Middletown some manufacturing establishment, which will give employment to the people of the town; while this is the proper thing to do there is a chance, at this time to take advantage of our geographical situation to secure some canning or evaporating establishment or something which would be naturally suitable to this place. We do not need any industry which would have to be kept up by artificial means, we need something which naturally belongs here, some method of using to a profit our fruit and vegetables.

This Peninsula would be a veritable garden of Eden if the production of fruit and vegetables could be made a success, so long as we have no place at home where these products can be utilized we will be at the mercy of transportation companies and commission merchants. By coming together here on the 18th of June, peach growers may obtain some very valuable information and will come to know each other, thus causing a community of interest which is very essential to a common understanding, among a class of farmers who are very much in need of a certain kind of protection.

THE CASE of the farmers of Delaware against the P. W. & B. railroad company which was recently decided by the Interstate Commerce Commission has been re-opened at the request of the railroad attorneys, and the case will again be heard with a strong probability of a considerable reduction of the percentage which the Commission ordered taken off of freight charges on fruit, vegetables, etc. in the recent decision. The railroad attorneys declare that their clients did not receive justice, because it is always necessary to prepare, at great expense, a great number of cars for carrying fruit at a season when the number of baskets of peaches to be carried cannot be definitely ascertained and that after all this expense has been incurred it is possible that, by a failure of the crop, the extra fixtures may be utterly useless.

They also declare that an enormous expense is incurred by the high rate of speed necessary for peach trains and that all other trains are kept out of the way in order that peach trains may reach Jersey City in good time for the early markets; that the regular traffic on the road is thus seriously interfered with and that the service is so good that any compulsory reduction in freight charges will work a serious injustice to the railroad company. All this seems very plausible, but why does the railroad company charge more for carrying a barrel of truck or a basket of fruit from points above and below Delmar to New York than they do to carry the same class of perishable articles from Norfolk to New York?

The answer to this question is a very simple one and is this: The steamship lines running steamers from Norfolk to eastern cities compete with the railroad at that point and the competition causes a low freight charge, but on the line up the Peninsula there is no com-

petition and the charges are placed at a figure which will suit the company. If fruit can be carried from Norfolk to Jersey City at, say one hundred dollars per car-load, it can certainly be carried from Delmar to Jersey City for the same or a less sum. The gentlemen who have interested themselves in this question believed the recent decision was the beginning of an era of justice and right in railroad matters, and although they believed the relief granted by the Commission might justly have been greater they refrained from further action because they had good reason to believe that further agitation of the question at this time would lead to bad results.

The gentlemen who worked so faithfully to secure to the people of the Peninsula proper freight rates deserve the thanks of every farmer and fruit-grower on the Peninsula and they should be encouraged by every means within the power of the people; they have asked for nothing but justice and in any case where their demands have been unjust they have willingly given them up. When the Delaware peach crop was very large, back in the seventies, a committee of peach growers waited upon Mr. Hinckley, president of the P. W. & B. company, and asked for a reduction in freight charges; they were asked whether or not the maintenance of charges then operative would cause them to discontinue the shipment of peaches over his road; the members of the committee answered that the maintenance of such charges would not cause them to discontinue the shipment of peaches; Mr. Hinckley then told the committee that so long as the people loaded their fruit in cars to be shipped over his road so long would the same charges be made, but that when the shipments ceased on account of freight charges there might possibly be a reduction.

The policy of charging all that the traffic will bear has been continued ever since and that the determination to continue it is still alive is evidenced by the fact that an attorney of the company has said, within the last month, that it is possible that the P. W. & B. railroad company may refuse to handle any of this class of freights if the Interstate Commerce Commission insists upon a reduction in charges. A refusal to carry peaches and berries would work incalculable loss to the people of this Peninsula and that such a thing is even mentioned by a certain person illustrates the fact that the Pennsylvania railroad company is certain that the company's grip upon the industries of Delaware is sufficiently strong to destroy those industries if such a mode of procedure should ever become necessary to the enforcement of unrighteous demands.

Let this monopoly undertake to refuse to handle such freight and within one month their charter would be a thing of the past and they would be praying for a grant of such powers as belong to like corporations in more exacting communities. That any injustice should be done by the decision of the Commission is not the desire of any one, but the people do demand a just and equitable settlement of this case and their request should in no wise be ignored. The policy of the railroad company has been such that the wealth of the Peninsula could not be developed; our people have been discriminated against, they have been forced to compete with people who would not, under a proper management of freight charges, be competitors, and the time has come when a just settlement of these questions should be had.

Death From Eating Peanuts.
A post-mortem examination on the body of William Gable, who died suddenly while returning from a game of baseball in West Reading on Saturday afternoon last, has disclosed a case that is as remarkable as it is unusual. It appears that shortly before his death while witnessing the game he had eaten a large quantity of peanuts. As he was passing along the sidewalk on his return he tripped over some obstruction and fell on his face. The conclusion of the fall was at first believed to have caused his death, which occurred within three minutes, but the examination proved that the contents of his stomach were forced into his throat, and before he could expel them the indigestible peanuts entered his windpipe causing strangulation. A great deal of attention has been excited this evening in the case among the physicians of this city and the members of the medical society now in session here. Reading special to Philadelphia Record.

Plenty of Peach Baskets.
A manufacturer tells the Smyrna "Times" that there are on the Peninsula nineteen factories manufacturing peach baskets. Some of these factories have a capacity of from five to eight thousand baskets per day, but put them at an average of 2,000 per day, and we have a daily production of 38,000. As most of these mills commenced early in May and will run until September, if there is demand, it will be seen that they can easily turn off from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 baskets during the season, to say nothing of the baskets that may be shipped here from other points. There is not therefore likely to be a monopoly of the business, and growers forced to pay 10 or 12 cents a basket, as was the case a few years ago when there were very few mills. —Milford News.

Killed by His Brother.
A fatal shooting accident occurred at Locust Grove, Md., Tuesday afternoon. Lew Atwell and Winfield Atwell, aged twelve and nine years, sons of W. T. Atwell, a prominent farmer of Kent county, living near Locust Grove, were playing with a revolver under a tree when the weapon was accidentally discharged by Lew, the ball going through Winfield's head, killing him instantly.

Five men were killed and eight others probably fatally injured by a boiler explosion in a mill near Bowling Green, Va.

The Homely But Useful Girl.
The "useful" girl, writes Ella Wheeler Wilcox, is not noticeable in any way. Everybody makes use of her, and everybody likes her. She has no enemies and no lovers. Women like her very much, and men speak highly of her when she is brought to their attention in some way, but they never think about her voluntarily. They appreciate her highly when she helps them out of a corner, and thank her cordially and then forget her until they need her again. She is not apt to marry, for men do not care for useful girls before marriage. She can sew, get a dinner if needed, amuse children, assist in getting up entertainments for other people to participate in, and she is an excellent nurse, and reads aloud well, and sings a little—enough to lull a child to sleep or to help out a chorus. She is like the green "everlasting," or old fashioned "live-forever" plant—scandalous and not beautiful, yet indispensable in a garden.

Items of General Interest.
The national debt statement shows that the increase of the public debt during the month of May amounted to \$622,915.57. Total cash in the Treasury \$697,077,366.97.

Secretary of State Blaine, left New York on Monday for Bar Harbor, where he will spend the Summer and regain his shattered health. The Presbyterian General Assembly in session at Detroit, Mich., after a breezy discussion decided to approve Christian Endeavor Societies, but desired that the Presbyteries and sessions should look after these as well as other young people's societies. General Stewart Stanley, of South California, announces that he has discovered the law of variation of the maximum tension of aqueous vapor, a principle hitherto regarded as impossible of discovery.

It would thus appear that after a hundred years of research science has finally solved one of the most difficult problems of terrestrial physics, and that we can now legislate for the control of the atmosphere and of the steam engine.

Young Men Who Cannot Vote.
The Wilmington Department of Election revoked an erroneous order which allowed voters to register with out tax receipt who are past 22 years just long enough to miss an opportunity to get assessed. The Board issued the decree on the presumed opinion of Senators Gray and Higgins, but the former Senator denies having any such opinion, and the 100 men thus registered cannot vote at the municipal election on Saturday.

The Dublin National Press accused Mr. Parnell of misappropriating certain funds, and said it will reiterate the charge in order to compel Mr. Parnell to take legal proceedings against the publishers.

The hog cholera has made its appearance in Harford county, Md. One farmer has lost over \$100 worth of hogs within the past week.

A dozen tramps in New Castle jail refused to break stone on Decoration Day and they were locked in the dungeon. They claim to have a union.

Maryland Matters.
The first anniversary of the new Methodist Episcopal church of Chesapeake City was celebrated Sunday in the presence of a large audience. The Rev. Dr. John Lananah of Baltimore delivered two sermons, one in the morning and one in the evening. The church was tastefully decorated with potted plants and flowers, and some fine music and singing was rendered.

The Youngest Grandmother.
The little hamlet of Almira, lying six miles south of Davenport, Iowa, boasts of a grandmother aged thirty, undoubtedly the youngest in the country. This lady is Mrs. Lucinda Dickinson, the mother of Mrs. Fred Maberly, who in turn is the mother of a fine boy three months old. Mrs. Dickinson was married to her first husband, James Lilly, in 1873, at the age of thirteen, and the following year her daughter was born. Mrs. Maberly was married in her fifteenth year, and in January bestowed on her youthful mother the proud dignity of grandmother. Mrs. Dickinson, who has been a widow for the second time nearly three years, is about to be married again.

Heiress and Coachman Wed.
Miss Mary Agnes Fitzgerald of Troy, N. Y., who inherited a fortune from her father, has surprised her sisters and friends by secretly marrying Edmund O'Brien, a coachman at the country home of the family. Agnes was an orphan with a handsome property. She had many admirers. Her favorite died some time ago of consumption. Miss Fitzgerald repelled the attentions of young gentlemen, and friends thought that it was on account of the death of her former admirer. Young O'Brien came from Schuylersville, filled the bill and was accepted.

Miscellaneous Ad's.

Eternal Vigilance
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Sold by all druggists. Six bottles prepared by C. I. HOOD & CO., Lowell, Mass. 100 Doses One Dollar

Wanamaker's

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, June 1, 1891.

An error corrected.
Last January we sold at a large sacrifice a surplus stock of standard French Books, which made a basis for the widely circulated rumor that we had ceased to keep French Literature. This is a mistake—our stock of French Books is large and is constantly increased by the receipt from Paris of new publications.

Just now Books for commencement prizes and presents are much in demand. To meet this want a large stock of proper titles awaits you. The Books are in Cloth and more sumptuous bindings, even to the finest Levant. Prominent among them is "Bryce's American Commonwealth," which is now upon the tables ready for all comers. The last of the hundreds of sets sold on order were delivered yesterday. Beside the cloth there is a finer edition in leather—half Roxburgh—at \$2.25 for the set.

Worthy companion for "The American Commonwealth" is John Fiske's great work "The American Revolution" which bids fair to rival the former in national interest, 2 volumes, \$3. Just published.

Of course there are Ginghams, Satens, Brandenburgs and Lawns in the outfit. A Dress of the crispy, crinkly Scotch Printed Crape will add still more of delightful variety. Colored figures on white, gray, light blue, pink and cream grounds, 28 inches, 25c. Have been 35c.

Some Shepherd Plaids from a best French maker have struck a sliding scale. All-wool, 40 inches wide, and in several sizes of checks, 75c. quality for 65c. 85c. kind at 75c.

Black Gloriosa is the most wanted of all the Summer blacks for dresses. You know how light, how beautiful and how dust proof it is, and how it wears. Here it is, the very best, 48 inches wide, at \$1.25 a yard. Never sold before under \$1.50.

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28-Inch All-Shell Grenadine.
Open mesh, good quality, at 75c. better at \$1, extra at \$1.25, superb quality at \$1.50. Twisted (sewing silk), at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50.

28-Inch and 30-Inch Zephyr Hernani.
28-inch, at 50c. 75c. \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3.

All-shell Crepe de Chine.
28-inch, at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.50, \$3.

All-wool Grenadine, 38 inches, at 75c. 85c.
Small check and striped Grenadine, 48-inches, \$1.25.

We have every facility for keeping Furs and Plush Garments from moths, dust or damage of any kind. The way seal skins have gone up in price makes the old Seal Coat more valuable than ever. We will recut and dye it for you and send home when you need it next Fall.

Stanton's Napha soap has been on sale in the store for a couple of months past. Hundreds of customers have tried it; it has been put to the most exacting tests. One verdict: "A best Soap I ever used." Paint, wheel-grease, varnish spots, dirt daubs of every kind disappear as if by magic before it.

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JOHN WANAMAKER.
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S. M. Reynolds & Co.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, June 1, 1891.

Children's Day
Will be celebrated June 14th in very near all the Churches throughout Christendom. We are ready to lend our aid to this joyous occasion by furnishing the outfits for the children to look their prettiest.

THIN DRESS GOODS.
White India Linen at 10, 12, 15, 18, 25 and 30c per yd. Victoria Lawns, white grounds with beautiful trailing vines, at 5c per yd. Handsome Challis Persian effects at 7c per yd.

Persian Mulls, cream grounds with beautiful roses and figures at 20c per yard. Black and white Persian Mulls at 20c per yd, worth 25c. Embroidery Flouncings, 27 inches wide, handsome patterns, at 65, 90, \$1.00, 1.10, 1.25 and 1.50 per yd.

Embroidery Flouncings, 45 inches wide, at \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 1.60 per yd. Black silk drapery net, 1.25 per yd.

LACES AND EMBROIDERIES.
Black silk laces, 15c, 20c, 25c, 40c and 60c per yd. Black and white Spanish laces, 14 in. wide, at 15c and worth 20c per yd.

Oriental embroidery laces, all widths from 1 to 10 in. at 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c to 35c per yd. Black and white Spanish laces 14 in. wide at 60c and 65c per yd.

Hamburg edgings, all widths and prices at 3c, 5c, 6c, 8c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 18c, 20c, 25c, 35c and 40c per yd. Cotton lace edgings at 1c, 2c, 3c and 4c per yd.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.
Ladies' night robes, plain and trimmed at 45c, 60c and 80c each.

Ladies' chemises, plain and trimmed at 38c, 50c and 75c each. Ladies' corset covers, square and V shape at 35c, 50c and 75c each.

Ladies' drawers, plain, tucked and embroidered at 30c, 37c and 45c each.

HOSIERY AND GLOVES.
Misses' fast black hose, 5 to 9 in. at 10c, 12c, 15c and 25c. Boys' fast black hose, 7 to 9 in. at 10c, 12c, 15c, 25c.

Ladies' fast black hose, 8 to 10 in. at 12c, 15c, 20c and 25c. Men's fancy cotton hose at 10c, 15c and 25c.

Men's seamless mixed hose at 8c, 10c and 12c. Gents' black and steel seamless half hose at 15c.

Gents'isle gloves, at 15c and 25c. Gents' castor beaver driving gloves, at \$1.25 and 1.50.

Gents' plain dog skin and calf gloves, at 75, 1.00 and 1.25. Ladies' black silk mitts, at 25, 30, and 50c.

Ladies' black silk gloves, 25, 50 and upwards. Children's black silk mitts, at 25 and 30.

Full assortment of kid gloves all the new shades and black. **SHOES AND HATS.**
Child's kid oxford ties, 75c, 85c and \$1.00.

Misses' kid xford ties, 90c, \$1.00 and 1.25. Ladies' kid oxford ties, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00.

Boy's Mackinaw straw hats, 50 and 75c. Boy's linen collars, 12 to 14c.

Boy's fancy roman ties, new shades. New arrival of all silk ribbons, No. 5 at 10, No. 7 at 12, No. 9 at 15, No. 12 at 20c.

Perforated leather belts at 25c. Silk parasols still going at \$1.00, worth 1.50.

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Boys' two-piece Cassimere Suits, short pants, sizes 4 to 14 years, at \$2.00, 2.50 and 3.00 per suit.

Boys' 2-piece fancy Cheviot suits, short pants, 4 to 14 years, at \$4.00 and 5.00 per suit.

Boys' double breasted black chevots, two pieces, short pants, 8 to 14 years, \$5.00 and \$6.00 per suit.

Boys' double breasted blue flannel two-piece suits, short pants, 8 to 14 years \$5.00 to \$6.00 per suit.

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MAILS CLOSING NORTH—8.40, 11.15 a. m.
a. m. 10. p. m.
MAILS CLOSING SOUTH—8.35 a. m. and
8.35 p. m.
OFFICE HOURS FROM 7 O'CLOCK A. M. TO 7 P. M.

Church Directory.

MIDDLETOWN M. CHURCH.
Rev. N. M. Brown, Pastor.
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7.30 p. m. Sabbath school every Sabbath at
9 p. m. Alfred G. Cox, Superintendent.
Singing, Sunday, 9 a. m. and 7 p. m. Wilson,
Leader; Monday evening at 7.30, led by
the pastor; Wednesday evening at 7.30,
led by the pastor; Friday evening at 7.30,
led by the pastor. The class meetings are held
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FOREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. Francis H. Moore, Pastor.
Services held every Sabbath morning at
10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at
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Rev. J. Beers, Rector.
Divine service on Sunday mornings at
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7.30 o'clock. The class meetings are held
on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.
Sabbath morning at 10.30, led by the pastor,
Alfred G. Cox, Leader. The seats are
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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Town Notes.
—For Hay Forks go to G. E. Hukill.
—The cherry crop this year is unusually heavy and the fruit has probably never been more plentiful nor of a better quality than now.
—We can make your old dry nets look like new, and save you money.
—W. R. Reynolds.
—S. M. Reynolds & Co. have sold a larger quantity of binder twine this year than last year and orders are still coming in.
—The Young Ladies' Guild of St. Anne's Church will hold a "strawberry fête" in the church yard on Friday evening, June 15th.
—J. B. Maxwell's switchback railway at Woodland Beach is completed, and ready for use. It is similar to the one at Augustine Pier, except that the pavilion is larger.
—Bishop Coleman will preach next Sunday morning at 10.30 in old St. Anne's Church; and in the evening in new St. Anne's Church at 7.30. The public are cordially invited to these services.
—The first game of base ball was played on the 30th ult., by the Earlville boys and the Chesapeake City Boys. The Earlville boys played nine innings and made 9 runs. The Chesapeake boys eight innings and 34 runs.
—List of unclaimed letters remaining at the post-office, which can be had by saying they are advertised: Joseph Camm, Miss Amanda Faulkner, Mrs. Louise Jones, Miss Maria Jones, W. P. Wilson, and the warms of the last few days has caused them to ripen very fast.
—Rev. Mr. Loderbough, formerly pastor of Drawyer's Presbyterian Church, Odessa, and now of Salem, N. J., will preach in the Presbyterian Church at Port Penn next Sunday, June 7th. Mr. Loderbough is well-known here as an eloquent and earnest preacher and many of his Delaware friends will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear him next Sunday.
—Davis Bros. the dealers in agricultural implements, have just finished the erection of a handsome windmill for Mr. H. A. Nowland. This windmill is one of the best in the market and among all those erected by this firm not one has failed to give satisfaction; they are substantially erected and all plumbing necessary is done by expert workmen. It is as easy to have water in your house or any of your buildings in the country as it is in the city, and no one who has once secured this very great convenience would be willing to go back to the primitive method of securing water by hand-power.
—Mr. H. A. Nowland has a beautiful field of Fulcaster wheat which is now in full head and promises a very heavy yield. On the entire forty-one acres there is not visible one square yard on which small or diseased wheat is growing; it is level and very thick on the ground, and at this time presents a beautiful appearance. The Fulcaster wheat seems to do well in this section and many heavy crops of it have been raised since its introduction here. To estimate Mr. Nowland's crop on this field at thirty-five bushels per acre would not be too high, judging from the present outlook. This wheat was sown early in October and was fertilized with a phosphate known as Nowland's mixture.

—Mr. George Derickson lost a very fine two year old standard-bred colt from lockjaw, last week.
—Read the new advertisement of S. M. Reynolds & Co., for childrens wear, and go look at the goods they are offering.
—The only horse liniment in the market, English Embrocation, imported, for sprains, cuts, &c., is W. R. REYNOLDS.
—Fifty thousand peach baskets are advertised for sale in this issue by Geo. M. D. Hart of Townsend. They can be bought in either small or large quantities.
—Decorations Day was observed in Middletown in a rather quiet manner. The business houses and a few private residences displayed flags and these were about the only decorations.
Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. met at headquarters in the morning and proceeded to the different cemeteries performed their usual ceremonies. The Post was accompanied by their march to the cemetery by a wagon filled with little girls, each carrying flowers. Several visitors were in town during the day.
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—When the 9 A. M. express came in Tuesday morning Mr. T. E. Lindley's mare and colt which were pasturing in a lot adjacent to the railroad, became frightened and started to run round the lot; when they reached the opposite side the colt was unable to turn and ran into the fence; one of its fore legs was broken just above the knee. Dr. McDowell set the fractured bone and put on a plaster cast. The colt is doing as well as can be expected, and it is hoped that no serious results will follow. The colt was a valuable one for which Mr. Lindley would not have taken \$150.
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—From present appearances Middletown will have a grand Fourth of July celebration. The Junior Order of American Mechanics have the matter in charge and are busy making the necessary arrangements. On the morning of the Fourth there will be a big parade headed by the Citizen's Cornet Band and participated in by every organization in the town and probably one or two from elsewhere. A flag pole will shortly be erected on the Academy building and after the parade the big flag which will float from the pole will be formally presented to the public school. The pole will be 40 feet long and this will make the flag probably 90 feet from the ground. The regular order of the day's exercises have not yet been arranged, but will be made known as soon as possible. The Junior Order are working hard to make the affair a success, and should be helped in their undertaking by every citizen of our town.
—On Sunday last Rev. J. Beers completed six years of ministerial labor in St. Anne's Parish. He occupied for the first time the pulpit recently erected and preached from Nehemiah, 8th Chap. and 4th verse, "and Ezra the Scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood which had made for the purpose." In his remarks he stated that the pulpit represented that preaching was an important part of the church's services as appointed by Christ who commanded his apostles to "preach the Gospel to every creature." He emphasized the idea that expository preaching was most important and necessary, like Ezra who not only read the word of God, but gave the people to "understand the meaning." On account of sickness Rev. Mr. Beers had been unable to preach for several Sabbaths, and his parishioners were glad to see him in his accustomed place especially on the last Sunday of his sixth year of devoted and unselfish work in his church. During the next two weeks Rev. Mr. Beers will be absent on a short vacation.
—The convention of fruit growers to be held in the Opera House June 18th has a most encouraging outlook. The efforts of the members of the Board of Trade and especially of the committees must attract a large number of persons from all sections. Correspondence has been opened with the important produce exchanges, railroad officials, those engaged in canning and evaporating, and manufacturers of fruit packages. Reports are expected from all sections that supply peaches to the principal cities or markets, as well as from all sections of the great peach belt of this Peninsula. Excursion rates will be issued by the several railroads and it is expected that the tariff of rates of transportation and schedules of peach trains will be announced. The further efforts of the Board of Trade in this direction will depend entirely upon the appreciation their efforts and the interest shown by those who are to be benefited. The opportunity for effecting arrangements for the satisfactory disposition of the large peach crop is now presented and we hope that everyone will avail themselves of its advantages. There should be a large attendance at the meeting on Saturday afternoon in the Opera

House at 2 o'clock to perfect arrangements for the convention on the 18th.
—An extra mail pouch is now brought down to Middletown from Wilmington every night on the Norfolk train due here at 13.45. An extra pouch has been coming from Philadelphia on this train for several days and the change is found to be a great convenience. Letters mailed in Philadelphia before 10 o'clock P. M. and in Wilmington before 11 P. M. will be sent to Middletown on the midnight train and delivered at the post-office by seven o'clock the next morning, thus giving persons ample time to answer their correspondence before the first mail north at 9 o'clock. The new arrangement was secured through Postmaster Cox, who, recognizing the fact that our mail facilities were not the best, corresponded with headquarters in the morning and proceeding to the different cemeteries performed their usual ceremonies. The Post was accompanied by their march to the cemetery by a wagon filled with little girls, each carrying flowers. Several visitors were in town during the day.
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Personal Mention.
—A. H. Reynolds of Elkton, spent Sunday in Middletown.
—Charles Jones of Philadelphia, was home for a few days the past week.
—Miss Helen Naudain, visited in Philadelphia Tuesday and Wednesday.
—Andrew E. Crow, Esq. of Wilmington, spent Sunday with friends near town.
—Frank Bratton of Wilmington, spent Sunday with friends in and near town.
—Miss Lottie Jones of Philadelphia, came home Friday evening and remained over Sunday.
—Miss Alice Wood, returned home yesterday from a three week's visit among friends in New York.
—C. M. Oliver of John Ryan Co., type foundries, Baltimore, Md., was in town Monday and Tuesday.
—Miss Emma Wilson of Georgetown, Md., is the guest of Mrs. Annie Griffith of this place, for a few days.
—Mrs. Alex. L. Moreau and daughter, of Freehold, New Jersey, are the guests of the Messrs Mary and Bessie Anderson of Middletown.
—H. H. Gembling, formerly with Geo. S. Hopkins of this place, and who was captain of the Middletown base-ball club last season, visited friends here this week.
—Henry Curry of Smyrna, is managing the shoe store of Edward Prettyman in Middletown the present week while the proprietor is attending court in Wilmington, he being a member of the jury.

The Proposed Peach Convention.
The special meeting of the Board of Trade last Friday evening, called for the purpose of discussing the project of the proposed "Peach Convention" brought out the fact that every member of the Board was in favor of it, and it was therefore settled that we have a convention. J. Thomas Budd, Esq., of the following resolutions which were adopted:
WHEREAS, It is the object of the Board of Trade of Middletown to foster and encourage any laudable enterprise that can in any way be of advantage to its town and vicinity and WHEREAS, The prospective fruit crop is regarded as a present opportunity of benefit to all persons. Therefore be it
Resolved, That a convention of all persons interested in the production, dealing in, transportation of, and canning and evaporating fruit be invited to assemble in convention at Middletown, Delaware.
Resolved, That such a convention be held at Middletown, Delaware, on Thursday, June the 18th next, at one o'clock P. M.
Resolved, That the Executive Committee of this Board of Trade be and are hereby appointed a general committee of arrangements, and that all standing committees of the Board be requested to act in the line of the several duties assigned them and assist in making the convention a success.
A meeting of the executive committee was held on Monday evening for the purpose of perfecting the arrangements for the proposed convention, and it was decided to call a meeting of the fruit growers of Middletown and vicinity for Saturday afternoon next, at 2 o'clock, in the Opera House. It is hoped that this meeting will be well attended as the final arrangements will then be made for the convention on the 18th.
The corresponding secretary of the Board has been instructed to write to the different produce exchanges and notify them of the proposed convention. The entire Board of Trade will constitute a reception committee for the visitors.

Death of an Aged Citizen.
James Dodson a well-known and respected resident of this town, died at his home on Crawford street Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, after an illness covering a period of several weeks. He had been in failing health for some time and his death was due to old age.
The deceased was born on July 15, 1815, this making him seventy-six years of age. He followed the occupation of farming for a number of years and about twelve years ago moved to Middletown, where he has since resided. He had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for probably half a century, took an active interest in the welfare of the church and was very liberal in his contributions. He leaves a widow and several daughters. The funeral will take place tomorrow, Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock; services in the M. E. Church and interment in M. E. cemetery.

The Wilmington Sunday Star can be procured from news agent W. W. Wilson every Sunday morning. It is the only Sunday newspaper in State. Get a copy next Sunday.

Fence Viewers Appointed.
The somewhat obscure, but ancient and honorable—also salaryless—position of fence viewers for New Castle county, has been filled for the current year by appointments from the superior court.
The responsibilities of the fence viewer are really very important, although numbers of citizens of the State are unaware of the existence of such officials. The fence viewer has to settle all boundary questions as regards fences. He is to see that they are of the proper substantiality and size. He stands between the citizen and numerous law suits. When Smith is raising a crop on his corn patch the fence viewer sees to it that Jones' cows do not marauding by the erection of a proper fence to protect the crops.
The following officials have been appointed for the four lower hundreds:
Red Lion—John T. Cheairs, Theodore F. Clark, Dr. F. S. Dunlap, Dr. Frank Bellville, William R. Bright, Francis T. Gray, Thomas Bond, Richard T. Cann, Daniel B. Stewart, William M. Stuckert.
St. Georges—Joseph Cheairs, Thos. Cochran, Leontine A. McWhorter, William R. Cochran, James T. Shallcross, Charles P. Cochran, Henry A. Nowland, Sereck F. Shallcross, Merritt N. Wilts, Fredus P. Vanheike, Jr., Charles Derickson.
Appoquinimink—J. Alletten Harman, George M. D. Hart, F. Theodore Perry, James T. Taylor, John M. Rothwell, Edward Sillers.
Blackbird—John Lockerman, Thomas Deakney, Alex. Deakney, John A. Derickson, Abram Hayden, Vincent O. Hull, Alexander Lottomus, Richard C. Brockless.

Roll of Honor, Middletown Public School.
AVERAGE 95 OR ABOVE.
ROOM, No. 1—Reese Parker, Harry Tatman, Harry Rothwell, Ethel Parvis, Edith Clayton, Willie Eliason, Harry Eliason, May Holten.
ROOM, No. 2—Mary Maxwell, Ada Cochran, Ada Miffin, Ethel Brady, Florence Merritt, Lucy Cochran, Nellie Ernest.
ROOM, No. 3—Mabel Derickson, Mary Appleton, Jos. Parker, Ellis Jarrell, Evelyn Littleton, Florence Kelley, Louis Stam, Frank Sydnay, Willis Clotier.
ROOM, No. 4—Lucien Green, Annie McColgan, Mary Heintz, Nellie Jackson, Edith Wilson, Nora Cleaver, Lee Corrie, James Merritt, Addie Eichenhofer, Bertha Roberts, Blanch Armstrong, Lulu Clayton, Myrtle Gary, Ella Cartry, Sybilla Jones.
ROOM, No. 5—Addie Clayton, Rachel Ferris, Tony Crouch, Bessie Merritt, Nina Gary, Willie Cartry, Bob Hall, Harry Bolton, Eddie Hinton, Ernest Johnson, Harry Brady, Elwood Reed, Charlie Talbot, Ernest Solway, Homer Painter, Grover Talbot, Eugene Heintz, Julian Cleaver, Stewart Cleaver, Queenie Dodd, Mary Holten, Bessie Craddock, Carrie West, Lillian Cleaver, Mollie Tush.

Summit Bridge School.
Fanny Crouch, 99; Emma Davis, 98; George Alrich, 97; Bessie Fisher, 95; Rachel Bender, 92; Pierce Alrich, 91.
S. Penington & Son Closing Out.
Messrs. S. Penington & Son have rented their store, to give possession July 1st, and will at once commence a grand closing out sale of their stock of goods at a great sacrifice in prices. Look out for large posters and hand bills and secure some of the bargains that they will have to offer during the next twenty days.

Wedding Near McDonough.
Miss Elizabeth B. Janvier and Mr. Warden R. Humphrey were married to-day at one o'clock at "La Grange" the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Janvier near McDonough. The bride wore white lace and was attended by Miss Mary Janvier, a sister of the bride, acted as maid-of-honor and Mr. George Janvier was best man.
Among the guests were about forty Wilmington friends of the bride and groom, and numerous friends and relatives of the bride from the immediate vicinity. Rev. Rollin A. Sawyer of the Odessa Presbyterian Church performed the ceremony, after which the newly-married couple left for a week of travel. Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey will reside in Wilmington where Mr. Humphrey is well-known in business and social circles. The bride is a lineal descendant of the McDonough family and has a large number of warm friends in this neighborhood.

Thoroughgood Tries to Break Jail.
James Thoroughgood, the negro now in Dover jail and sentenced to be hanged on August 7th next for assaulting eight-year-old Louisa Hufington, made a bold attempt to dig his way out of the jail a few days ago and came very near being successful. When Warden Boggs told the condemned man that he was going to have his cell cleaned and whitewashed, Thoroughgood offered to do the job himself and made excuses not to be transferred. This suspicious action aroused the Warden, and under the negro's bed were found two bushels of stone and mortar. A newspaper laid a large hole in the wall, and the removal of a loose stone would have made escape easy. Thoroughgood did the work with an 18-inch iron bar and an improvised chisel, and says he spent two days on the job. He says the tools were given him by a white man. The prisoner has been removed to another cell and placed in irons and will be closely watched until the day of execution, although the Delaware laws do not provide for a regular death watch.

Delaware's Tax Law.
The bondsmen of ex-County Tax Collectors Israel Ridings of New Castle hundred; James H. S. Gam, Red Lion hundred; Willard B. Biggs, St. Georges hundred; J. H. Smalley, White Clay Creek hundred, and W. C. Bigger, Pender hundred, were proceeded against to-day to make good \$15,892.72 of uncollected taxes. The first premium, a gold watch, to James Goelin of Salem, N. J., the second, a silver watch, to John M. Craig of Delaware City.

DELAWARE CITY.
HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK IN A THIRTY-ING TOWN.—PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST.
—Rev. Mr. Braddon at Milford, Del. this week.
—Captain McManm took charge of the steamer, Thomas Clyde this week.
—Mrs. Andibert of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents here this week.
—Mr. Justice of Leontine Grove, Md., is visiting Dr. F. S. Dunlap this week.
—Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Asher and son Willie, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Vail.
—Patrick Henry Lodge No. 11, I. O. O. F. will hold a festival during the first week of July.
—Mr. Howard Ford launched his new boat, "Bull Frog," on Tuesday. She is a handy little craft.
—A small hen belonging to Mr. John T. Cook has laid an egg which weighs four and one-fourth ounces.
—The dredging machine on the Colburn marshes received the finishing touches on Wednesday and was put into operation to-day.
—Mr. D. C. Webb has a cow that gives from 14 to 16 quarts of milk daily and makes 61 pounds of butter a week, while fattening a very large calf.
—Mr. F. Bruner has removed his barber shop one door above the old stand. The new shop is much larger, lighter and a great improvement on the old one.
—The last haul of the season was made in the locks here on Monday morning; the catch was fifteen thousand herring. This has been the most profitable season they have had for many years.
—Mr. Mack Irons who has been south since last fall, spent a few days here last week. He will resume his position as clerk at Woodland Beach next week.
—Mayor Reynolds has given notice that all dogs running at large within the city limits, between the first of June and October 15th must be muzzled, under penalty of the law.
—Mr. Eugene Lindsay and family of Philadelphia have taken up their summer residence at his cottage on the Delaware river at this place. Mr. Lindsay holds a position in the Prothonotary's office in Philadelphia, where he goes every morning, returning here in the evening.
—A sturgeon net from this place was confiscated by the fish warden's boat on Sunday night, for breaking the Sunday fishing law. The fishermen escaped with their boat, but mourn the loss of their net, which is a heavy one at the beginning of the season.
—The Yacht Venitia with her owner, Mr. A. Colburn arrived here on Sunday evening. She will participate in the Quaker City Yacht Club regatta about June 10th, when, if she has her usual good luck and good management, she will show her ability to retain the championship which she now holds.
—William Hilselman, a brother of Mr. M. W. Hilselman, who spent last summer and fall here, died at his home in Meyers-town, Pa. on Sunday, after a lingering illness. Mr. Hilselman was a young man of good social qualities, and made many friends during his stay here. He was a member of Delaware Castle No. 12, K. G. E.
—John Smith, a young colored man of this place, who was engaged in sturgeon fishing, was drowned on Monday afternoon at Reed's Point, which is a mile below Delaware City. He and his father were fishing together. They had taken on their net and were making sail, when the sport broke, the sport struck him, and knocked him overboard. When he came to the surface his father threw him an oar which he failed to catch, and sank. The body has not yet been recovered.
—Our town was full of visitors on Sunday; among them were Editor Stewart of the "Evening Journal," Mr. James Megarry, Mr. Harry Robelen, Manager Williamson of the Opera House and many other Wilmingtonians, a number of whom came down on bicycles. They were entertained at the Delaware City Hotel and the Robinson House, and after taking a look at the thousands of herring in the Delaware City lock and the Delaware and Chesapeake canal, the afternoon was spent in the park where they enjoyed the shade, fanned by the delightful breeze from the Delaware river.

—Miss Nettie Colburn gave a very pleasant reception to a number of her Philadelphia and Delaware City friends at Marshfield, on Thursday evening. Dinner was begun at nine o'clock, supper was served at half-past eleven, after which the dancing was continued until half-past two, when the guests retired. Music was furnished by Professor Webb, assisted by members of the Delaware City Social Orchestra.
—A double team belonging to Mr. Chas. W. Jefferson got loose and ran from the farm of Mr. Scott on Monday evening. The carriage was upset and the tongue broken, but the horses were caught near the canning factory on the corner of Fifth and Clinton streets by two colored men. The drawbridge over the canal was off at the time the team arrived in Delaware City, and as it was directly ahead of them, about four squares, the capture of the horses was most fortunate.

—The annual May procession of the children of St. Paul's Catholic Sunday-school took place on Sunday evening, at the Vesper service. The children met at the residence of Mr. Peter Mulligan and marched to the church where they were met by the pastor, Rev. Father Daly and the four Acolytes, who led the procession up the aisle to the sanctuary, where the pastor received the offerings of beautiful flowers which were placed on the altar by his attendants. The girls were dressed in white, wearing veils and wreaths, and carried bouquets of roses. They made a very beautiful sight. Many hymns were sung by the children during the services.
—Mr. E. A. Stout boats a handsome new flag from the flagstaff on top of his Delaware City Hotel. From another staff on the same hotel are displayed the weather signals, reports being received here daily from the weather bureau at Washington. This is an excellent place for a signal station as the signals can be seen by all boats passing up and down the Delaware river. It will also prove a great benefit to our fishermen. The establishment of this station is due to the energy of Captain W. E. Reybold, our mayor.
—The premiums offered by Pancoast & Ziegler of this place, to the two persons selling them the largest number of shad this season were awarded on Wednesday, the first premium, a gold watch, to James Goelin of Salem, N. J., the second, a silver watch, to John M. Craig of Delaware City.

Prisoners Escape From Jail.
Harrison Rothwell, colored, alias "Sugar Awn" has again made his escape from New Castle jail. He was accompanied by James Dougherty, a white man, who was serving one year for horse stealing. Rothwell and Dougherty were allowed the privileges of the corridor, kitchen and yard and it was their duty to bank the fires each night. On Monday evening they went out into the yard, presumably to get the coal, and failed to return. Investigation showed that they had taken their bed clothes, tore them into pieces, tied a bent poker to one end and threw it over the wall. They then pulled themselves up and jumped to the ground on the outside, a distance of 30 feet.
Rothwell escaped from jail once before but was recaptured. He recently remarked to a visitor at the jail that if he had not become intoxicated after the other time he escaped he would never have been caught; but if he ever got outside of New Castle jail again, he would bid it good-bye forever. And it seems he has, for neither of the men have yet been heard from.

New Creamery Company.
A corporation has been formed known as "The Sandy Branch Creamery Company of Cecil County." The incorporators are Elias E. Marsh, John J. Dorsey, George W. Merritt, William Price, Jr., and William D. Bradford. The corporation will operate a creamery at Sandy Branch, in Middle Neck, Second district. It is located in one of the most highly improved portions of Cecil County. Large quantities of milk will be supplied and it will be one of the largest in the county.

Professor H. C. Clark will open a dancing class for young men in Mulligan's Hall this week.
—The steam tug C. G. Ash is towing timber this week between Delaware City and Bordentown, N. J.
—The Atlas base-ball club of this city, practice every evening on their grounds; they will be ready to arrange matches in about two weeks.
—Superintendent McCausland of the Philadelphia and Salem Steamboat Company was in town on Wednesday, accompanied by his son; they enjoyed several hours' fishing in the canal.
—The Photophore Literary Society have decided to give an entertainment in Assembly Hall, and have fixed the date for June the 9th. The program will consist of recitations, dialogues, readings and essays, interspersed with music. A large number of invitations have been sent out, and many have expressed a desire to be present and lend their presence to the support of the society. The society, which is connected with the public school, is now in a prosperous condition, numbering 27 members.

—Mr. Joseph E. Gilliam, president of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Co. and Mr. Hutchinson, the secretary, arrived here on Wednesday morning. They were met by Mr. Fletcher Price, the superintendent, and after making an inspection of the lock, wharf, etc. of the company here, they left on the superintendent's steam yacht launch for a tour of inspection of the canal to Chesapeake City. The canal carpenters are making some repairs at St. Georges, and after finishing there they will come to Delaware City and make extensive repairs.
—The Von Calia Incubator Co. made a public exhibition of their improved hatcher in front of their shop on Tuesday; the machine was one of their smallest sizes, holding 24 eggs, and heated by a small Baby McKee night lamp. It was full of eggs in the morning, and by night every one had hatched out in a lively, healthy chick. The machine was inspected by nearly all of the leading citizens of the place, who took much interest in its successful work, and encouraged the inventors and manufacturers by their unanimous endorsement.

Townsend Topics.
—Mr. S. L. Tinley is able to be out again.
—The K. G. E. festival was well attended both nights.
—Miss Mollie Webb of Smyrna, has been the guest of Mrs. J. T. Webb for several days.
—Mr. D. B. Maloney spent Sunday in New Castle, Del., as the guest of Prof. D. B. Jones.
—Mrs. Emma Vandye and daughter, Estella, were the guests of Mrs. Sarah Tinley last Thursday.
—Miss Maud Smith of Middletown, was the guest of Miss Nina G. Scott Tuesday and Wednesday.
—Mr. Joseph Clayton and his assistants are painting the handsome residence of Mr. S. L. Tinley on Commerce street.
—Madame Rumor comes to us with the startling news that Blackbird is soon to have a fashionable wedding.
—Mrs. Emma Webb of Chester, Pa., who has been visiting Mrs. J. T. Webb for several days, left Tuesday morning for a visit further down the State.
—Mrs. Emma Finley is improving the looks of her residence on Main street by a new coat of paint. William Carter of Smyrna, is doing the work.
—Mrs. Etta Townsend and daughters of Townsend, and Mrs. Maggie Smith and daughters of Middletown, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with their aunt, Mr. M. E. Collins, near Smyrna, Del.
—Mr. G. D. Wells has contracted to build a cottage for Dr. Schwartz at Ocean City, and leaves on Friday for that place. Mr. Wells takes his brother, A. E. Wells, with him and expects to be gone about four or five weeks.
—Misses Clara and Emma Townsend who have been working in Wilmington, are home for a short vacation, after which they will leave for Atlantic City, having accepted a situation in a large hotel at that desirable winter place.
—The warm weather has again brought to the front the boys of blue and gray, full of vim and confidence that they will play ball this season in a way that will make little chicks chase each other up and down their rivals' backs. Club No. 2 has organized with the following players: Joe Pritchard, c.; Clarence Hutchinson, p.; H. B. Stradley, 1st base; H. Naynor, 2nd base; J. Daniels, 3rd base; Will Mowley, 1st; J. B. Schwatka, c. f.; H. Gill, r. f.; Dutch Pritchard, s. a. Challenges accepted from all club whose members are not over 18 or under 9. Address, H. B. Stradley, Townsend, P. O. Box, 1827, Rock.

Prisoners Escape From Jail.
Harrison Rothwell, colored, alias "Sugar Awn" has again made his escape from New Castle jail. He was accompanied by James Dougherty, a white man, who was serving one year for horse stealing. Rothwell and Dougherty were allowed the privileges of the corridor, kitchen and yard and it was their duty to bank the fires each night. On Monday evening they went out into the yard, presumably to get the coal, and failed to return. Investigation showed that they had taken their bed clothes, tore them into pieces, tied a bent poker to one end and threw it over the wall. They then pulled themselves up and jumped to the ground on the outside, a distance of 30 feet.
Rothwell escaped from jail once before but was recaptured. He recently remarked to a visitor at the jail that if he had not become intoxicated after the other time he escaped he would never have been caught; but if he ever got outside of New Castle jail again, he would bid it good-bye forever. And it seems he has, for neither of the men have yet been heard from.

Phogus McConigal has planted 18,000 bushels of cyder apples in the Delaware Bay between Lisle and Simon rivers to catch the spawn. The late Legislature appropriated \$1000 for the purpose.
The Delaware Pilot will shortly be published at Lewes to succeed the defunct Breakwater Light. Charles W. Wiley will be the editor. Ebe W. Tunnell, ex-Clerk of the Peace of Sussex county, is the chief stockholder in the new venture.
Smyrna was very much excited last week over a mad dog which had been running through the streets and which bit several dogs. The Town Commissioners have ordered all dogs to be muzzled and those not having a muzzle on will be killed.
Davis Bros. have on hand a very fine lot of early Rose seed potatoes raised in Holton county, Maine. They are able to sell at prices which are satisfactory because they bought at first hands.
"Atlas" and "Wadsworth" Paints are the best; therefore, the cheapest.
G. E. HUKILL.
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The place to buy your shoes is at S. M. REYNOLDS & CO.
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